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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 04329.3168-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Kei Watanabe et al.)	Group Art Unit: 2814
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Serial No.: 10/697,438)	Examiner: MAI, Anh D.
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Filed: October 31, 2003)	
)	Confirmation No.: 7758
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)	
MANUFACTURING METHOD)	
THEREOF)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

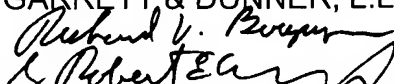
In a restriction requirement mailed March 15, 2005, the period for response extending through April 15, 2005, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, claims 1-12, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to a semiconductor device; and Group II, claims 13-27, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a method of making. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-12 without traverse.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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